

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL  
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1950

Regular Meeting beginning at 8:00 o'clock P.M. of Wednesday, January 18, 1950  
Councilmen present: Bull, Haskell, Lytle, Tolliver and Rinn (Mayor)  
Minutes of meeting of January 4, 1950 approved after correction of a statement in paragraph 1, Page 403 relating to a letter from Ward-LaFrance Company as to the horsepower of the engine in the truck on which this company had submitted a proposal.

## CITY MANAGER REPORTS -

MAHAFFEY  
FRANCHISE  
BUS LINES  
RESCINDED  
ORDINANCE  
NO. 407  
INTRODUCED.

City Manager H. D. Weller formally submitted the report of the Special Committee appointed by the Mayor on December 21, 1949 of its findings in the matter of the application of H. E. Mahaffey to discontinue motor bus services under the franchise granted him by Ordinance No. 234, copies of this report having been submitted each Councilman and the City Attorney prior to this meeting. After discussion of the matters contained in the report, and the reading of an opinion of City Attorney Glenn West, the City Council accepted the findings of the committee and its conclusions that, while Mahaffey is not insolvent, the bus lines are and have been operating at a substantial monetary loss: that failure of the public to patronize this method of transportation demonstrates that public convenience and necessity do not require its continuance and that forcing the bus lines to so continue would not be reasonable under present conditions or foreseeable future conditions.

It was then moved by Councilman Haskell, Bull second, that this franchise be rescinded by the adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 407 - REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 324 ADOPTED AND APPROVED MAY 15, 1946 GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO HARRY E. MAHAFFEY FOR THE OPERATION OF INTRA-MUNICIPAL BUS LINES. Motion carried by unanimous consent and this ordinance declared introduced and laid over for the statutory period of not less than five days.

CITY CAB CO.  
GROUP FARES  
APPROVED.

Harry E. Mahaffey, doing business as City Cab Company under a permit granted pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance No. 268 requested, by letter, permission to amend his taxi-cab rates so as allow the reduction of fares to group riders, leaving from a common point and traveling to a common destination, such groups to consist of five or less riders. Amendment approved on motion of Councilman Bull, Tolliver second, it being understood that this reduced rate would not succeed his present arrangement to carry school children on "script" tickets.

SCHOOL BUS  
INTERIM  
PERMIT.

The City Council stated that it had no objection to Mahaffey continuing his school bus route pending the letting of a bus franchise, under such terms as the City Manager may prescribe to protect the City and the users of this facility, such as public liability insurance and notification to the Council of proposed discontinuance of service.

HELLWIG  
FRANCHISE  
APPLICATION.

Herb Hellwig filed a written application to operate station wagons as means of public transportation on regular routes. This appearing to be a request for a franchise to operate as a public utility, wholly within the city limits, the City Clerk was directed to publish the notice required by the "Franchise Sale Law" (Broughton Act), upon the deposit of a fee of \$10.00 by applicant, such notice to state that the City Council would receive sealed bids for the franchise up to the hour of 5:00 o'clock P.M. of Wednesday, March 1, 1950

1950-51  
STREET  
IMPROVEMENT  
BUDGET

City Manager Weller then submitted project statements for the expenditure of gasoline taxes on city streets for the fiscal year 1950-1951 at a total estimated cost of \$69,744.44. Statement approved and ordered to be submitted to the Division of Highways for submission of a Memorandum of Agreement, such memorandum to be formally approved on its receipt by the City Council.

AWARD LAKE  
PARK DRESS  
ROOMS MADE

Award of the contract for construction of Additions to Lake Park Dressing Rooms, bids opened January 16, 1950 was made to Wister and Miller, the lowest bidder, at \$7,230.33, motion Councilman Bull, Haskell second.

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PROPOSED  
RETIREMENT  
AN ORDINANCE  
OF PRESENT-  
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A proposed ordinance creating a retirement plan for City employees and establishing a pension fund was submitted in mimeographed form for study. Mayor Rinn requested each City Councilman to give this ordinance careful attention so that, on its approval, the approved ordinance could be submitted to the city employees. He asked that recommendations be submitted so that some positive action could be taken at the February 1 meeting.

CITIZENS  
ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE  
APPOINTMENTS  
Mr. Weller reported on tentative appointments to the Citizens Advisory Committee, furnishing each Councilman with a map showing the residential locations of each of the present suggested appointees. Each Councilman was requested to submit a list of five or more names before the February 1st meeting so that the membership of the committee could be completed by that date.

RELATION  
PORTION LAND.  
PETITION.  
A petition, signed by the owner of the property, Ben L. Horton, requesting the annexation of a strip of land running along the East line of Cherokee Land from Krieger Addition to Hale Road, was received and ordered referred to the City Planning Commission for recommendation.

LICENSING OF  
COIN-OPERATED  
AMUSEMENT  
DEVICES.  
Several members of Lodi Tavern Owners Association appeared at this time, again requesting action on the petition of twenty-eight tavern operators presented October 5, 1949, for the enactment of an ordinance permitting and licensing coin-operated "amusement devices" similar to ordinances now in effect in San Joaquin County and the City of Stockton. Leonard Hickman, representative of an operator of these devices, explained the working of the two above cited ordinances, stating that the "operator" or "concessionnaire" paid the total fees charged, being reimbursed from the "take" of each machine. This matter having been held in abeyance for some months and having been subject of reports of the City Manager, both oral and written, during this time, it was decided by the City Council that action be taken at this time, therefore, Councilman Bull moved, Haskell second, that the City Manager be instructed to prepare an ordinance licensing coin-operated amusement devices and card rooms, fees to be fixed by the City Council on its submission, regulations to be similar to those obtaining in San Joaquin County and/or in the City of Stockton.

ORDINANCE NO. 404 " APPROVING THE ANNEXATION OF " CORINTH ADDITION" TO THE CITY OF LODI, CALIFORNIA, having been regularly introduced January 4, 1950 was brought up for passage on motion of Councilman Bull, Haskell second, second reading omitted, after reading by title by unanimous consent, and then finally passed, adopted and ordered to print by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen, Bull, Haskell, Lytle, Tolliver and Rinn.

NOES: Councilmen, None. ABSENT: Councilmen, None.  
Mayor Rinn then approved and signed Ordinance No. 404.

ORDINANCE NO. 405 " AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 268 OF THE CITY OF LODI BY ADDING THERETO A SUBSECTION TO BE KNOWN AS SUBSECTION 8-1 OF SECTION 3 BY PROVIDING A METHOD FOR DISCONTINUING A TAXI STAND IN THE PUBLIC STREETS OF SAID CITY OF LODI " having been regularly introduced on January 4, 1950 was brought up for passage on motion of Councilman Bull, Tolliver second, second reading omitted by unanimous consent and then passed, adopted and ordered to print by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen, Bull, Tolliver, Haskell, Lytle and Rinn.

NOES: Councilmen, None. ABSENT: Councilmen, None.  
Mayor Rinn then approved and signed Ordinance No. 405

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FAIRMONT PARK  
ADDITION.  
ANNEXATION  
APPROVED BY  
INTRODUCTION  
ORDINANCE 406

In the matter of the annexation of "Fairmont Park Addition": Proper and timely publication of notice that the City Council would receive protests against the annexation of "Fairmont Park Addition" being proven by affidavit in the usual manner, no persons appeared to object to this annexation. No protests were filed with the City Clerk. It was then moved by Councilman Tolliver, Haskell second that ORDINANCE NO. 406 be introduced, entitled, "APPROVING THE ANNEXATION OF " FAIRMONT PARK ADDITION " TO THE CITY OF LODI, CALIFORNIA ". Motion carried without dissenting vote and this Ordinance ordered laid over for the statutory period on not less than five days.

PETITION  
H.A. WILSON

A petition for the rezoning of Lot 7, Lake Home Subdivision for commercial use signed by Howard A. Wilson and others, was ordered referred to the City Planning Commission for action as required by the City Zoning Ordinance.

CLAIMS

Claims in the amount of \$44,398.03 as approved by the City Manager were allowed and ordered paid on motion of Councilman Lytle, Tolliver second.

ARMY  
PLACARDS

An application from Army Recruiting Service for permission to display placards in front of 17½ West Pine Street and the Postoffice was granted.

WIDENING  
W. LODI AVE  
BAYER'S  
NURSERY

A project entailing an estimated expenditure of \$1,700.00 for the widening of West Lodi Avenue, East of Church Street, along Lots 7, 8 and 9, Resubdivision Block 4, Hutchins Addition, to the alley in this block, was approved, moneys to come from unexpended portions of gasoline tax moneys. Motion Councilman Bull, Lytle second.

INTERSECTION  
ST. LIGHTS  
SCHOOL ST.

San Joaquin County's Safety Council recommendation that intersection suspended street lights be placed at the intersections of School Street with Walnut Street, Oak Street, Pine Street and Elm Street was tabled for study as to necessity and as to whether these lights, if installed, would soon be replaced by a down-town lighting system.

WISNER &  
BECKER  
CONTRACT  
EXTENSION

Wisner and Becker were granted an eight months extension of time in which to complete their contract awarded January 5, 1949 on a showing that such an extension would allow a more thorough study of the operations of the electrical distributing system.

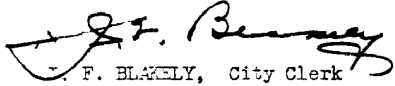
RESIGNATION  
G.L. MEISSNER  
LIBRARY  
TRUSTEE

The resignation of Mr George L. Meissner as a member of the Board of Trustees of Lodi Public Library was accepted with the sincere regret of the City Council. Mr Meissner having served on this Board for the past twenty-four years. His resignation was submitted as he has moved out of Lodi. The Board of Library Trustees recommended that Dr. William J. Coffield be appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by Mr Meissner's resignation. Recommendation approved and appointment by resolution ordered, such resolution to be prepared and submitted at the February 1st meeting.

Councilman Lytle again recommended that the parking meter collecting be done by an employee other than a police officer. Councilman Haskell enquired for a report on the activities of the Community Counsellor, for information purposes only.

At 11:23 P.M. the City Council adjourned. Motion of Councilman Tolliver.

Attest:

  
F. BLAKELY, City Clerk